

Amend claims 1, 2, 8, 9, 13-17, and 51-55 as follows:

1. (Three Times Amended) An isolated nucleic acid comprising a nucleic acid sequence encoding a polypeptide comprising amino acid residues 39 to 115 or 141 to 434 of SEQ ID NO:2.

2. (Three Times Amended) An isolated nucleic acid comprising the nucleotide sequence of SEQ ID NO:1 or SEQ ID NO:3.

8. (Four Times Amended) The nucleic acid of claim 2, wherein the nucleic acid comprises the nucleotide sequence of SEQ ID NO:1.

9. (Four Times Amended) The nucleic acid of claim 2, wherein the nucleic acid comprises the nucleotide sequence of SEQ ID NO:3.

13. (Two Times Amended) An expression vector comprising the nucleic acid of claim 1.

14. (Two Times Amended) A cell containing the nucleic acid of claim 1.

15. (Two Times Amended) A cell containing the expression vector of claim 13.

16. (Two Times Amended) A process for recombinant production of a polypeptide, the process comprising expressing the nucleic acid of claim 1 in a host cell.

17. (Amended) The process of claim 16, wherein the host cell is eukaryotic.

51. (Amended) An expression vector comprising the nucleic acid of claim 2.

52. (Amended) A cell containing the nucleic acid of claim 2.

53. (Amended) A cell containing the expression vector of claim 51.

54. (Amended) A process for recombinant production of a polypeptide, the process comprising expressing the nucleic acid of claim 2 in a host cell.

55. (Amended) The process of claim 54, wherein the host cell is eukaryotic.

Add new claims 56-61.

--56. The nucleic acid of claim 1, wherein the polypeptide comprises amino acid residues 39 to 115 of SEQ ID NO:2.

57. The nucleic acid of claim 1, wherein the polypeptide comprises amino acid residues 141 to 434 of SEQ ID NO:2.

58. The nucleic acid of claim 1, wherein the polypeptide comprises the amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO:2.

59. The nucleic acid of claim 1, wherein the polypeptide comprises the amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO:4.

60. An expression vector comprising the nucleic acid of claim 58.

61. An expression vector comprising the nucleic acid of claim 59.~